

Amendments to the Claims:

The following listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

1. (Currently Amended) A remote start control apparatus, which is installed in a vehicle equipped with a start control apparatus, for fetching a predetermined code that is output based on a predetermined operation, for determining whether the predetermined code is a code unique to a vehicle and for, when the codes match, permitting the starting of ~~machinery, such as an engine, machinery~~ and which starts the machinery in accordance with an instruction signal received from a transmitter, comprising:

a first storage unit for storing the code unique to the vehicle;

a first supply unit for, upon receiving from the transmitter a start instruction signal for the machinery, supplying the code stored in the first storage unit to the start control apparatus; and

a first memory control unit for, when a determination is made, based on a specific signal received from a theft detection unit for detecting a vehicle theft or another signal equivalent to the specific signal, that the vehicle has been stolen, either deleting the code stored in the first storage unit or rewriting the code.

2. (Currently Amended) A remote start control apparatus, which is installed in a vehicle equipped with a start control apparatus, for fetching a predetermined code that is output based on a predetermined operation, for determining whether the predetermined code is a code unique to a vehicle and for, when the codes match, permitting the starting of ~~machinery, such as an engine, machinery~~ and which starts the machinery in accordance with an instruction signal received from a transmitter, comprising:

a first storage unit for storing the code unique to the vehicle;

a first supply unit for, upon receiving from the transmitter a start instruction signal for the machinery, supplying the code stored in the first storage unit to the start control apparatus; and

a second-memory control unit for, when the disconnection of a battery mounted in the vehicle is detected, deleting or rewriting the code stored in the first storage unit.

3. (Currently Amended) A remote start control apparatus, which is installed in a vehicle equipped with a start control apparatus, for fetching a predetermined code that is output based on a predetermined operation, for determining whether the predetermined code is a code unique to a vehicle and for, when the codes match, permitting the starting of ~~machinery, such as an engine, machinery~~ and which starts the machinery in accordance with an instruction signal received from a transmitter, comprising:

a first storage unit for storing the code unique to the vehicle;

a first supply unit for, upon receiving from the transmitter a start instruction signal for the machinery, supplying the code stored in the first storage unit to the start control apparatus;

a second storage unit for storing a remote control ID code used for a remote operation; and

a third-memory control unit for, when it is determined that a remote control ID code has been registered in the second storage unit, deleting or rewriting the code stored in the first storage unit.

4. (Currently Amended) A remote start control apparatus according to claim 3, wherein, when for the remote start control apparatus of the third aspect it is determined that a code has been registered in the second storage unit, while a first predetermined condition,

such as the theft of the vehicle, has been established, the ~~third~~ memory control unit deletes or rewrites the code stored in the first storage unit.

5. (Currently Amended) A remote start control apparatus according to Claim 1, further comprising:

a ~~fourth~~second memory control unit for, when a second predetermined condition is established, storing in the first storage unit the predetermined code that is output through the predetermined operation.

6. (Currently Amended) A remote start control apparatus according to claim 5, further comprising:

a determination unit for determining whether the predetermined code output through the predetermined operation is an appropriate code for storage in the first storage unit,

wherein, when the determination unit determines that the predetermined code is an appropriate code for storage in the first storage unit, the ~~fourth~~second memory control unit stores the predetermined code in the first storage unit.

7. (Original) A remote start control apparatus according to claim 6, wherein the determination unit employs the state of the machinery to perform a determination.

8. (Previously Presented) A remote start control apparatus according to Claim 1, further comprising:

a notification unit for issuing a notification that the code stored in the first storage unit has been deleted or rewritten.

9. (Currently Amended) A remote start control apparatus according to claim 8, wherein the notification unit issues a notification at a predetermined time, ~~such as when the performance of the predetermined operation is detected time.~~

10. (Currently Amended) A remote start control apparatus, which is installed in a vehicle that is equipped with a start control apparatus, for fetching a predetermined code that is output based on a predetermined operation and determining whether the predetermined code matches one of a plurality of unique vehicle codes and for, when the predetermined code matches one of the unique vehicle codes, permitting ~~machinery, such as an engine, machinery~~ to be started and starting the machinery in accordance with an instruction signal received from a transmitter, comprising:

a ~~third~~ storage unit for storing a specific code that matches one of the unique vehicle codes stored in the start control apparatus;

a ~~second~~ first supply unit for, upon receiving a start instruction signal for the machinery from the transmitter, supplying to the start control apparatus the specific code stored in the third storage unit; and

a ~~third~~ second supply unit for, when a determination is made, based on a detection signal, or another signal equivalent to the detection signal, received by a detection unit for detecting vehicle theft, that a vehicle theft has occurred, supplying a delete/rewrite instruction signal to the start control apparatus to initiate the deleting or rewriting of the unique vehicle code that is stored in the start control apparatus and that matches the specific code.

11. (Currently Amended) A remote start control apparatus, which is installed in a vehicle that is equipped with a start control apparatus, for fetching a predetermined code that is output based on a predetermined operation and determining whether the predetermined code matches one of a plurality of unique vehicle codes and for, when the predetermined code matches one of the unique vehicle codes, permitting ~~machinery, such as an engine, machinery~~ to be started and starting the machinery in accordance with an instruction signal received from a transmitter, comprising:

a ~~third~~first storage unit for storing a specific code that matches one of the unique vehicle codes stored in the start control apparatus;

a ~~second~~first supply unit for, upon receiving a start instruction signal for the machinery from the transmitter, supplying to the start control apparatus the specific code stored in the third storage unit;

a second storage unit for storing a remote control ID code used for a remote operation; and

a ~~fourth~~second supply unit for, when it is determined that a code has been registered in the second storage unit, transmitting a delete/rewrite instruction signal to the start control apparatus to initiate the deleting or rewriting of a unique vehicle code that is stored in the start control apparatus and that matches the specific code.

12. (Currently Amended) A remote start control apparatus according to claim 11, wherein, when it is determined that the registration of a code in the second storage unit has been performed, while a first predetermined condition, ~~such as the occurrence of a vehicle theft, condition~~ has been established, the ~~fourth~~second supply unit transmits the delete/rewrite instruction signal to the start control apparatus.

13. (Currently Amended) A start control apparatus, which permits the starting of ~~machinery, such as an engine, machinery~~ when it is determined that one of a plurality of unique vehicle codes stored in a ~~fourth~~ storage unit matches a specific code that is supplied by a remote start control apparatus for starting the machinery in accordance with a predetermined code received through a predetermined operation, or an instruction signal received from a transmitter, comprising:

a ~~fifth~~ memory controller for, when a determination is made, based on a detection signal received by a theft detection unit for detecting a vehicle theft, or another signal equivalent to the detection signal, that a vehicle theft has occurred, deleting or

rewriting one of the unique vehicle codes that is stored in the ~~fourth~~-storage unit and that matches the specific code.

14. (Currently Amended) A start control apparatus, which permits the starting of ~~machinery, such as an engine, machinery~~ when it is determined that one of a plurality of unique vehicle codes stored in a ~~fourth~~-storage unit matches a specific code that is supplied by a remote start control apparatus for starting the machinery in accordance with a predetermined code received through a predetermined operation, or an instruction signal received from a transmitter, comprising:

a ~~sixth~~-memory control unit for, upon receiving a delete/rewrite instruction signal from the remote start control apparatus to delete or rewrite a unique vehicle code that matches the specific code, deleting or rewriting the unique vehicle code that is stored in the ~~fourth~~-storage unit and that matches the specific code.